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SIR: This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 08/426,630 filed April 21, 1995 of Francis Blanche et al. for POLYPEPTIDES INVOLVED IN THE BIOSYNTHESIS OF COBALAMINS AND/OR COBAMIDES, DNA SEQUENCES CODING FOR THESE POLYPEPTIDES, PREPARATION METHOD AND THEIR USE.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior Application No. 08/426,630 as originally filed on April 21, 1995, which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ \$ 770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	134	-	20	114	x \$18	\$2,052.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	0	x \$86	\$ 0
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Subtotal						\$ 0
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- 0
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$ \$2,342.00

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4. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
5. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, **except for the filing fee and additional claims fee**, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
6. ☐ New acceptable drawings are enclosed.
7. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: Aventis Pharma S.A..
8. ☒ Priority of Application No. FR 90-01137, filed on January 31, 1990 in France is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
☐ is enclosed or ☒ is on file in the prior application.
9. ☐ Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.
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11. ☐ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
12. ☒ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
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14. ☐ Recognize as associate attorney _____
15. ☒ Also enclosed is Information Disclosure Statement with 1449 attached
(two documents)

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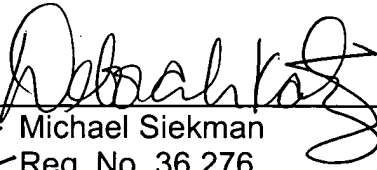
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 08/426,630 filed April 21, 1995, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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